Section 3-122. Salary Commission --

1. There shall be an independent salary commission to establish the salaries of all elected officials, including the mayor, councilmembers, and prosecuting attorney, and the following appointed officials: managing director, deputy managing director, department head, deputy department head, and band director. The commission shall also establish schedules for salaries of deputies of the corporation counsel and prosecuting attorney. The commission shall consist of seven members, who shall serve for staggered terms of five years and until their successors have been appointed and qualified. The initial appointments shall commence no later than January 15, 1993, and shall be as follows:

(1) Two members, one appointed Two years by the mayor and one appointed by the council

(2) Two members, one appointed Three years by the mayor and one appointed

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(3) Two members, one appointed Four years

by the mayor and one appointed by the council

(4) One member appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council

Each succeeding appointment shall be for a term ending five years from the date of the expiration of the term for which the predecessor had been appointed. The commission shall elect a chair from among its members and the commission shall act by a majority vote of its membership. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as for an original appointment.

- 2. The commission shall convene annually no later than the first day of February, and shall, after public hearing, establish salaries and salary schedules no later than the first day of May subsequent thereto, said salaries and salary schedules to be effective prospectively from the first day of the fiscal year subsequent to their adoption by the commission. The commission may meet at other times during the year pursuant to its own rules, but may alter salaries and salary schedules no more than once annually. Any action of the commission altering salaries shall be by resolution accompanied by findings of fact. Said resolution shall be forwarded to the mayor and the council but shall take effect without their concurrence sixty calendar days after its adoption unless rejected by a three-quarters vote of the council's entire membership. The council may reject either the entire resolution or any portion of it.
- 3. The commission shall set salaries in accordance with the principles of adequate compensation for work performed, and preservation of a sensible relationship with the salaries of other city employees.
- 4. The commission shall establish its rules of procedure and adopt rules and regulations pursuant to law.
- 5. The commission shall employ consultants and staff as is necessary to assist it in the performance of its duties.
 - 6. The members of the salary commission shall serve without compensation but

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shall be reimbursed for expenses, including travel expense necessary for the performance of their duties. (Reso. 83-357 and 84-197; 1992 General Election Charter Amendment Question No. 13; 1998 General Election Charter Amendment Question No. 3(IV))